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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PFOR, EEC, DA

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- 1. FRG AMBASSADOR VON STADEN CALLED ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL SEPTEMBER 14 TO REQUEST PRELIMINARY US REACTION TO RESULTS OF THE COPENHAGEN MEETING OF THE EC FOREIGN MINISTERS. HE MADE THE REQUEST IN LIGHT OF THE POSSIBILITY THAT CHANCELLOR BRANDT AND SECRETARY-DESIGNATE KISSINGER MAY MEET DURING UNGA.
- 2. STOESSEL TOLD VON STADEN THAT WE COULD NOT TAKE POSITION ON EC DRAFT SINCE WE HAVE NOT YET SEEN IT. WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE WILL RECEIVE TEXT ON SEPTEMBER 19 AND SECRET

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THAT DANISH FORMIN ANDERSEN-THEREAFTER WILL PRESENT IT

FORMALLY TO SECRETARY. STOESSEL NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT SECRETARY WILL ALSO WISH TO MEET BILATERALLY WITH OTHER AVAILABLE EC FOREIGN MINISTERS.

- 3. VON STADEN URGED USG TO STUDY LANGUAGE OF EC DRAFT CAREFULLY, KEEPING IN MIND THAT, EVEN THOUGH AT FIRST GLANCE IT MAY NOT APPEAR TO BREAK NEW GROUND, IT IS A SOLID REAFFIRMATION OF PRINCIPLES AND OBJECTIVES GEARED TO CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES. WHILE DRAFT MAY FALL SHORT OF OUR EXPECTATIONS, VON STADEN SAID HE PERSONALLY FELT IT REPRESENTED SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENT AND HE HOPED IT WOULD BE SEEN IN THIS LIGHT.
- 4. IN REPLY TO QUESTION FROM VON STADEN RE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT, STOESSEL SAID THAT DECISION WILL DEPEND ON THE SUBSTANCE WHICH CAN BE EXPECTED AND LEVEL AND FORUM OF MEETINGS. VON STADEN STRESSED OPINION OF FRG THAT IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY UNFORTUNATE IF VISIT DID NOT TAKE PLACE. RUSH

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